In the claims:

1. (currently amended) A method for tracking the status of a workflow, the method comprising:

instantiating an instance of a workflow by a user, the user being assigned to a role in the workflow, the workflow having a plurality of workflow steps;

generating a weblog to track an instance of the workflow, ~~the weblog being an application separate from the workflow, the workflow having a plurality of workflow steps, each step performed by at least one member, each of the members having at least one workflow role~~ the weblog accessible to weblog members, first weblog members with permission to view workflow status and weblog comments, and second weblog members with permission to view workflow status and view and post weblog comments;

~~assigning the at least one member to the weblog;~~ and

employing an application to cause communication between the workflow and the weblog to automatically posting an entry in the weblog to indicate that a workflow action has occurred, the entry being physically viewable on a display device by weblog members.

2. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein the workflow action comprises the completion of a workflow step.

3. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein the workflow action comprises the execution of a workflow exception.

4. (original) The method of claim 1 further comprising posting an entry in a personal weblog to indicate that the workflow action has occurred.

5. (original) The method of claim 1 further comprising providing a feed to an aggregator, the aggregator receiving entries from the weblog and at least one other instance of a weblog.

6. (previously presented) The method of claim 5 wherein providing a feed comprises providing Rich Site Summary or RDF Summary (RSS) feed from a plurality of weblogs for a syndication.

7. (original) The method of claim 1 wherein the posting of an entry in the workflow weblog is made in response to a posting of an entry in a personal weblog.

8. (cancelled)

9. (cancelled)

10. (currently amended) A computing system for tracking the status of a workflow, the computing system comprising:
    a display screen;

    an input device to perform at least one of:

    receiving a client request to <u>instantiate an instance of a workflow by a user, the user being assigned to a role in the workflow, the workflow having a plurality of workflow steps</u>;

    <u>receiving a client request to</u> generate a weblog for tracking an instance of the workflow, ~~indicating an assignment of a member to the weblog and automatically posting an entry in the~~ ~~weblog to indicate that a workflow action has occurred, the weblog being an application separate~~ ~~from the workflow~~; and

    a server in communication with the display screen and the input device, the server executing a server application to generate the weblog, <u>the weblog accessible to weblog members, first weblog members with permission to view workflow status and weblog comments, and second weblog members with permission to view workflow status and view and post weblog comments, the server employing an application to cause communication between the workflow</u>

and the weblog ~~to assign the member to the weblog and~~ to automatically post an entry in the weblog to indicate that a workflow action has occurred, <u>the entry being physically viewable on a display device by the weblog members</u>.

11.   (original) The computing system of claim 10 further comprising a remote server in communication with the server, the additional server storing a personal weblog and executing a server application to modify the personal weblog.

12.   (original) The computing system of claim 10 wherein the server generates a first instance of a weblog and further comprising a remote server in communication with the server, the remote server executing an aggregator application to receive at least one entry from the first instance of a weblog and a second instance of a weblog.

13.   (cancelled)

14.   (cancelled)

15.   (cancelled)

16.   (cancelled)

17.   (cancelled)

18.   (currently amended) A computer program product for use with a computer system, the computer program product comprising a computer ~~useable~~ <u>readable</u> medium having embodied therein <u>a computer program for storing data</u> ~~program code~~ comprising:

 <u>program code for instantiating an instance of a workflow by a user, the user being assigned to a role in the workflow, the workflow having a plurality of workflow steps;</u>

 program code for generating a weblog to track an instance of a <u>the</u> workflow<u>,</u> ~~the weblog being an application separate from the workflow~~ , <u>the weblog accessible to weblog members,</u>

first weblog members with permission to view workflow status weblog comments, and second weblog members with permission to view workflow status and view and post weblog comments;

~~program code for assigning a member to the weblog~~; and

program code for causing communication between the workflow and the weblog to automatically ~~posting~~ an entry in the weblog to indicate that a workflow action has occurred, the entry being physically viewable on a display device by the weblog members.

19.   (original) The computer program product of claim 18 further comprising program code for posting an entry in a personal weblog to indicate that the workflow action has occurred.

20.   (original) The computer program product of claim 18 further comprising program code for providing a feed to an aggregator.

21.   (original) The computer program product of claim 18 wherein the program code for posting an entry in the weblog is responsive to a posting of an entry in a personal weblog.

22.   (cancelled)

23.   (cancelled)

24.   (cancelled)

25.   (cancelled)

26.   (cancelled)

27.   (cancelled)

28.   (cancelled)

29.   (cancelled)